(2) A copy of the observations is appended. (*Vide Appendix X.*)

Mr T. A Ramachandra Ayyar.—Here it is stated, "the condition of these Villages as they now stand is deplorable and I was told that no Government officers, excepting the Police constable on beat duty and the village officers for the collection, ever visit these villages." May I know from the Government whether this statement is a fact?

Mr. P V. Raphael—On subsequent inquiry I found that other Government officers also have visited the place.

Mr. T A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—In many places he has stated that the condition of the roads was very deplorable. May I know whether any action has been taken to repair the roads?

Mr P. V. Raphael.—Action is being taken to improve the condition of these roads.

Mr. K. G. Nayar.—Were these remarks of the Panchayat Registrar forwarded to the Government?

Mr. P. V. Raphael.—I have also reported to the Government the condition as I saw and they have generously sanctioned some of my proposals.

Caste-war statement of nominations of Panchayat Members.

21. Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—Will the Government be pleased to place on the table a caste-war statement of nominations of Panchayat Members in 1107?

Mr. P. V. Raphael.—The statement is appended. (*Vide Appendix XI*).

Road to Anandapuram and Muriyad.

22. Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—Will the Government be pleased to state

(a) whether any action was taken regarding a road to Anandapuram and Muriyad;

(b) if so, what;

(c) was any resolution passed by the Road Board regarding this road;

(d) if so, will a copy of the resolution be placed on the table?

Mr. M. D. Narayana Ayyar.—Yes.

(b) The Chief Engineer was asked to prepare an estimate for the work and provide for it in 1108 budget. Due to lack of funds however it was not possible to include the work in 1108 budget.

(c) Yes.

(d) A copy is appended (*Vide Appendix XII*).

Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—During the last session I asked whether that was not the 21st time that they

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memo to the people on the representation of the Panchayat that it will be attended to in 1108. Our file is B 1843/07. Please put up this file.

Nandipulam.—As we proceed from Chengalur to Nandipulam there is a deep thodu called (കരുമാടത്തോട്) It is a deep one and being close to the river it easily gets flooded making it every difficult for people to cross over. A temporary bridge with teak wood saplings has to be provided urgently. This may cost about Rs. 30. Please find out source for this. Aslo ask the Overseer to submit an estimate for a permanent bridge at this place.

The Panchayat member from Nandipulam who was with me during my inspection of the village told me that there is a proposal for a bridge at കരയാംപാടം and the road diversion there and that they have submitted a sketch about this about a week back. Put up the file concerned.

Mupliyam.—There is no public well in this village and there is water scarcity here. A sum of Rs. 300 may be provided in 1109 for a well here. One മണിയംകൽ ലോനപ്പൻ വറുതി has agreed to surrender the necessary site for this.

There is now a road passing from Parakadavu in Varandarapilly towards Kodakara through Mupliyam and Nandipulam. The condition of this road as I saw it, is deplorable. In some places there is no road, while in others there are huge ruts. This has to be improved and a provision of Rs. 500 may be made in the next budget.

Please take urgent action in respect of these. We must see that something is done for these villages which are now very much neglected."

APPENDIX XI.

(Vide answer to Question No 21.)

Cast-war statement of nominations of Panchayat Members in 1107.

Caste Hindus		27
Brahmins	3	
Namboories	4	
Kshatriyas	1	
Ambalavasies	2	
Nayars	17	
	27	
Other Hindus		9,
Panicker		
Koundans	2	
Chetties	2	
Ezhuthassans	3	
Moosari	1	
	9	
Ezhuvas		21
Christians		17
Muslims		8
	Total	82

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